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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

REQUEST FOR ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME
UNDER PROVISION OF 37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)

Sir,

Applicant respectfully requests a one-month extension of time such that the period for response will expire on **January 30, 2004**. Applicant requests the time extension for the express purpose of filing Amendment "C" and the same was mailed on January 23, 2004 to the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

A check in the amount of **\$110.00** is enclosed for the statutory fee for a large entity to respond within one month of the statutory deadline. Please charge or credit Deposit Account No. **08-3150** for any fee insufficiency or excess.

Should the Patent Office have any questions, a telephone call to the undersigned is earnestly solicited.

Favorable action hereon is believed to be in order and the same is earnestly and respectfully solicited.

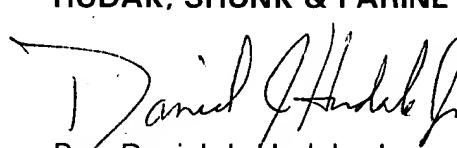
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